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1. YOU SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT CONVEY IMPRESSION TO BRAZILIANS, AS REFLECTED IN REFTEL, THAT USG IS OFFICIALLY AND PUBLICLY ANTICIPATING RESURGENCE OF HEROIN TRAFFICKING BASED ON OPIUM FROM TURKISH POPPIES. (REFTEL RECEIVED INADEQUATE WASHINGTON CLEARANCE.)

2. USG PUBLIC STANCE IS THAT WE ARE COUNTING ON REPEATED SOLEMN ASSURANCES OF TURKISH GOVERNMENT THAT IT CONTROL
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THE NEW CROP ADEQUATELY. IT IS RECEIVING TECHNICAL AND

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE UNITED NATIONS FUND FOR
DRUG ABUSE CONTROL (UNFDC) IN ORDER TO BETTER ASSURE
THIS. ALSO, THE GOVERNMENT OF TURKEY HAS SHIFTED TO A NEW
HARVESTING TECHNIQUE (POPPY STRAW AS CONTRASTED TO OPIUM
GUM PRODUCTION AT THE FARM LEVEL) WHICH MAKES CONTROL
EASIER ALTHOUGH STILL REQUIRES ADEQUATE POLICING.

3. WE ARE ALREADY RECEIVING COMPLAINTS FROM THE
GOVERNMENT OF TURKEY THAT THE USG HAS IN EFFECT, AS
EVIDENCED BY REPORTED STATEMENTS BY CERTAIN USG OFFICIALS,

DECIDED IN ADVANCE OF THE EVENT (NOT TO MENTION PROOF)
THAT THE TURKISH CONTROLS WILL BE INADEQUATE. THIS DOES
NOT REPEAT NOT INSPIRE THE TURKS TO GREATER CONTROL
EFFORTS AND COULD, UNFORTUNATELY, HAVE THE REVERSE
EFFECT.

4. NEEDLESS TO SAY, IT IS IMPORTANT TO BE PREPARED
AGAINST ALL POSSIBILITIES. IT IS RECOGNIZED THAT IN THE
PAST TURKISH CONTROLS HAVE PROVEN INADEQUATE AND THIS
LED ULTIMATELY TO THEIR BANNING PRODUCTION FOR TWO YEARS.
OUR INTEREST IN DEA OFFICES IN SAO PAULO AND RIO IS
IMPORTANT IN THAT CONTEXT. HOWEVER, WE MUST NOT REPEAT
NOT HAVE WORD GETTING BACK TO THE TURKS THROUGH THE
BRAZILIANS THAT WE ARE NOW CONDEMNING THEM TO OTHER
GOVERNMENTS. THEREFORE, AS YOU APPROACH THE BRAZILIANS
ON THIS, YOU SHOULD TAKE APPROPRIATE CARE. KISSINGER

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